	1	2	3	4	5	6
State Bank of Hyderabad	2463.25	1460.84	15.42	3151.98		7091.49
State Bank of Indore	1385.30	432.69	23.97	1585.52		3427.48
State Bank of Mysore	1559.89	643.25	20.29	2063.28		4286.71
State Bank of Patiala	2530.09	1477.78	58.01	2767.51		6833.39
State Bank of Saurashtra	1558.52	262.97	4.86	1769.21		3595.56
State Bank of Travancore	2015.50	1312.99	1.94	2647.80	419.26	6397.49
TOTAL FOR SB GROUP	43712.63	26778.45	570.91	64558.06	14770.46	150390.51
Allahabad Bank	4059.53	1695.11	26.19	3801.87		9582.70
Andhra Bank	2652.50	1191.62		3579.05		7423.17
Bank of Baroda	6660.45	3400.39	397.63	12970.20	3992.01	27420.68
Bank of India	7598.99	3389.66	7.47	12663.48	8163.54	31823.14
Bank of Maharashtra	2521.58	1244.74	25.07	2881.14		6672.53
Canara Bank	8069.36	6204.84	97.53	12997.30	462.74	27831.77
Central Bank of India	7170.07	3651.92	15.23	7996.16		18833.38
Corporation Bank	2868.65	1576.42	0.00	4221.02		8666.09
Dena Bank	2739.30	851.54	48.86	3362.20		7001.90
Indian Bank	2250.42	2230.76	9.34	3703.09	1240.29	9433.90
Indian Overseas Bank	4052.99	2495.60	35.70	5273.14	1238.08	13095.51
Oriental Bank of Commerce	4292.69	661.36	24.72	6097.64		11076.41
Punjab & Sind Bank	2107.69	848.28		2224.90		5180.87
Punjab National Bank	10856.74	4408.34	28.21	12735.76		28029.05
Syndicate Bank	3810.38	1581.58	177.31	5148.49	2398.40	13116.16
Uco Bank	2748.30	2094.31	5.77	4104.52	1132.54	10085.44
Union Bank of India	5669.63	3081.16	3.02	8751.54		17505.35
United Bank of India	1160.30	2565.72	0.08	2013.25		5739.35
Vijaya Bank	2013.24	1027.02	1.87	2677.87		5720.00
TOTAL FOR NATIONALISED BANKS	83302.81	44200.37	904.00	117202.62	18627.60	264237.40
TOTAL FOR PSBs	127015.44	70978.82	1474.91	181760.68	33398.06	414627.91

Relaxation in borrowing powers of States

5041. SHRI P. PRABHAKAR REDDY: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu recently requested the Prime Minister to relax the blanket curbs on the powers of the

State Governments to borrow for development projects;

(b) whether it is also a fact that a similar request was made sometime back by the Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh;

(c) if so, whether Government would consider the request formally; and

(d) if so, by when, and if not the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHE PATIL): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No such request has been received by the Ministry of Finance.

(c) and (d) According to the RBI, the total debt of all State Governments more than doubled from Rs. 243,525 crores in 1997-98 to Rs. 498,839 crores in 2001-02 (BE). During this period of time, debt raised on the strength of State Government guarantees by State Owned Enterprises increased from Rs. 63,409 crores to Rs. 1,24,813 crores in respect of 17 major States. Both these factors have raised serious issues of debt sustainability in many States. Defaults on bonds backed by State Government guarantees have also increased alarmingly. The need to limit the further growth of debt raised by State Owned Enterprises backed by guarantees, and bring such borrowings within the discipline of Article 293(1) of the Constitution is a prudent step towards fiscal consolidation.

Bureaucratic Laxity

5042. SHRI P. PRABHAKAR REDDY: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item captioned "Government laxity hampers research says award winning scientist" which appeared in the Hindustan Times dated 22nd March, 2002;

(b) if so, the details thereof and Government's reaction thereto; and

(c) the measures proposed to be adopted to curb the bureaucratic laxity and indecisiveness which, as per the aforesaid report, are hampering the progress of research in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHE PATIL): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) has reported that it had received a proposal from Appropriate Rural Technology Institute (ARTI), Pune seeking financial assistance for "Generation of Rural Self-Employment through Environmental